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THIS 19th DAY OF November 2003. BY:AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTIONMS Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 30, 2003, please amend the above-identified U.S.

patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this
paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.